

STEWART MAREERE

Senior Town and Regional Planner



Address: 1914 Dinokeng Street, Mindalore, Krugersdorp, South Africa

Email: mareeres@gmail.com

Phone: +27 78 411 0482

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Registered Professional Regional and Urban Planner with more than ten (10) years of experience in planning/community development, urban management and environmental planning regulations, resources and modern practices and principles of city/urban planning in Zimbabwe, Namibia and South Africa. Proven track record in spearheading the preparation and submission of 300+ land use applications. Adept at orchestrating collaborative efforts with specialized consultants and representing the company in pivotal meetings. Expertise in comprehensive urban planning, successful project execution, and a 100% success rate in appeals. In addition, I am a highly motivated and successful property practitioner with more than five (5) years of experience in market analysis, negotiations, preparing legal contracts and networking with industry professionals.

Core Competences and Skills

- AutoCAD, GIS & Sketch-up
- Stakeholder Management
- Time Management
- Negotiation skills
- Urban Management
- Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
- Dedicated Team Player
- Adaptability
- Marketing and Networking
- Urban Design
- Strategic Planning
- Project management
- Ability to work under pressure
- Real Estate knowledge
- Spatial Planning

Major Achievements

- Implemented a dynamic Project Management Schedule (PMS) to actively monitor and track town planning projects, swiftly identifying and resolving delays, thereby significantly improving project efficiency and enhancing client satisfaction.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

City Dynamics Planners (Pty) Ltd (South Africa)

03/2025 – Present

Professional Urban & Regional Planner (Independent Contractor)

- Preparation and submission of land use applications and planning permission inquiries
- Preparation of master plans and planning strategies
- Preparation of township layouts and other town planning maps (Auto CAD & GIS)
- Providing strategic town planning advise to land owners/developers
- Conducting research, surveys and assessing technical information
- Undertaking site visits and carry out feasibility studies of potential sites
- Liaising and co-ordination with engineers, architects, and land surveyors, fostering a synergistic working environment
- Marketing and business development
- Project management of planning applications

Urban Devco cc (South Africa)

02/2019 – 01/2024

Practice Manager and Professional Planner

- Commenced work on part-time basis, during my Master's studies;
- Elevated from assistant town planner to senior town planner and subsequently to practice manager within an impressive 2-year timeframe.
- Spearheaded the preparation and submission of over 200 land use applications and planning permission inquiries in a swift 2-year span, showcasing exceptional efficiency.
- Drove success and enhanced operational efficiency as a practice manager, ensuring seamless submission and approval processes for applications.
- Orchestrated collaborative efforts with specialized consultants such as engineers, architects, and land surveyors, fostering a synergistic working environment.
- Proactively represented the company in crucial meetings with clients and project team members, fortifying relationships and contributing to overall company success.

Pam Golding Properties (South Africa)

06/2020 – Current

Senior Property Practitioner (Part time)

- Managing client relationship with clients (sellers, buyers and tenants);
- Develop marketing strategies to promote listings;

- Prepare and review of contracts/agreements;
- Negotiate contracts/agreements with buyers and sellers;
- Market analysis and research
- Coordinate property inspections, evaluations and appraisals.

Ritta Khiba Planning Consultants (Windhoek, Namibia)
06/2015 – 12/2017
Assistant Town Planner

- Crafted and submitted over 85 land use applications with precision and timeliness within a dynamic 2-year timeframe.
- Formulated township layouts and master plans encompassing over 20,000 residential stands, showcasing a keen eye for comprehensive urban planning.
- Acted as the company's representative in pivotal meetings with clients and project team members, ensuring effective communication and collaboration.
- Demonstrated effective leadership by managing junior staff, fostering a high-performing team, overseeing application processes, and leading weekly feedback meetings to address project challenges.
- Executed thorough feasibility studies and meticulously prepared due diligence reports, contributing valuable insights to informed decision-making processes.
- Achieved a commendable 100% success rate in appeals, attesting to a robust and effective approach to addressing challenges and securing favorable outcomes.
- Assisted in the preparation of Keetmanshoop Urban Structure Plan (a strategic document that outlines the future growth plans of Keetmanshoop Town Council in a way that is more inclusive, efficient, and sustainable).

Homelux Real Estate (Harare, Zimbabwe)
10/2014 – 05/2015
Graduate Trainee: Property Development

- Executed over 20 property valuations and inspections, providing comprehensive insights into market values.
- Facilitated the successful sale of more than 10 properties, showcasing a proven track record in real estate transactions.
- Negotiated and finalized 30 lease agreements with pre-approved tenants, ensuring seamless and secure rental arrangements.
- Compiled detailed monthly property reports, offering valuable information and analysis for informed decision-making.
- Skillfully prepared and submitted land development applications, navigating regulatory processes with precision and efficiency.

Chegututu City Council (Chegututu, Zimbabwe)
07/2013 – 09/2014
Junior Town Planner

- Designed the Umvovo Phase IV master plan, featuring over 3000 residential stands, demonstrating expertise in comprehensive urban planning.
- Efficiently processed over 25 land development applications in collaboration with the Chief Town Planner, ensuring adherence to regulatory requirements.
- Prepared and presented compelling town planning reports and motivations for Umvovo Phase IV, securing approvals from the Department of Physical Planning.
- Actively engaged with the Department of Physical Planning and Local Government, facilitating Ministerial approvals and maintaining a smooth regulatory process.
- Participated in consultative meetings with residents, land developers, and various Council departments, providing valuable Town Planning advice and fostering collaborative decision-making.
- Played a key role in Forward Planning and Development Control, contributing to the strategic vision and effective management of future development initiatives.

EDUCATION

- Masters of Urban Studies in the field of Urban Management, University of Witwatersrand, 2020.
- Bachelor of Science Honors in Rural and Urban Planning, University of Zimbabwe, 2013.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Introduction to Design Computing, University of Cape Town, 2018.
- Introduction to Spatial Design, University of Cape Town, 2018.
- National Certificate: Real Estate Level 5, Services Sector Education and Training Authority, 2023
- FETC Real Estate Level 4, Services Sector Education and Training Authority, 2022.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND AFFILIATION

- Registered member: The Irish Planning Institute (IPI)
- Professional Planner: The South African Council for Planners (SACPLAN);
- Full Estate Agent: Property Practitioners Regulatory Authority (PPRA)

AWARDS

- Awarded the prestigious Wits TUB Urban Lab Masters Scholarship to pursue post-graduate study at the University of the Witwatersrand in South Africa (DAAD).
-

15 December 2025

Stewart Mareere